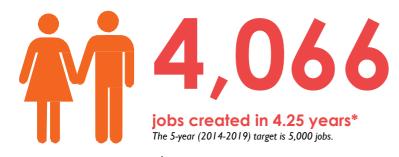
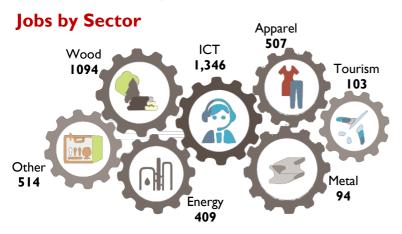


USAID EMPOWER Private Sector aims to create jobs by promoting firm-level competitiveness and building workforce skills in sectors with the highest potential for growth. Companies targeted for support are primarily in the wood, apparel, energy, ICT, tourism and metal sectors. This \$14.4M, five-year program started in July 2014.

Job Creation

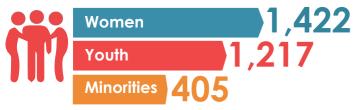
lob creation embodies USAID's successful implementation.





Jobs for Women and Youth

USAID strongly supports the concept that a country's real economic success depends on full integration of women, youth, and minorities in the workforce, at all sectors and levels.



Co-finance

USAID consistently seeks co-funding with other donor projects and Government of Kosovo (GoK) agencies engaged in private sector

development in Kosovo.

\$4.05MM disbursed by USAID

\$15.85MM leveraged by firms

\$1.77MM leveraged by collaborating institutions

444

direct beneficiaries supported

Trainees

Most of USAID's investments in Workforce Development are based on the potential for creating sustainable jobs during or shortly following the skills-related activity.

3,017 Attended training 1,532 Were employed Trainees completed internships 2.096 on the job training

Sales Increase

444 direct beneficiaries attributed increased sales over their baseline sales of \$141.2MM versus the cumulative target of \$100MM through Y5.



Trade Fairs

USAID supports beneficiaries to increase market opportunities through visits and exhibitions at trade fairs.

534 firms attended 66 fairs

Results from participation: Direct Sales: \$17.8MM **Projected Sales: \$22.9MM**

Life of project targets: USAID EMPOWER is on target to achieve the following life of project targets.

5.000

\$100M

\$50M

80

Results through December 31st, 2018

To date ACTUAL

5.4x